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MINUTES
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
HIGH POINT MOTOR INN, CHICOPEE
SEPTEMBER 18, 1975

Present: Pres. Sullivan, Exec. Vice President Murray, Secretary-Treasurer Loughlin, Vice Presidents Binnall, Brunelle, Buffum, Cardinal, Cleary, Dyson, Farnham, Fernandes, Lavin, Litano, Moseley, Prendergast, Rodwell, Sullivan, Tarallo, Valentino, Wall and Weng

Absent: Exec. Vice President McLaughlin, Vice Presidents Barron, Campobasso (union bus.) Claffey, DeRosa, Drew, Ferreira (union bus.) Grieco, Khoury (union bus.), Osborn (union bus.), O'Donnell, O'Neil, Quinn (illness), Sonsini (union bus.)

Meeting convened at 10:30 A.M. with President Sullivan presiding.

V.P. Prendergast read the Council Prayer.

The members stood in a moment of silence for Herman Greenberg and Mrs. Henry Khoury.

Pres. Sullivan advised that Jack Albano, the first Vice President of the Springfield-Chicopee-Westfield Labor Council is going to replace Herman Greenberg and he has been invited to attend our luncheon.

Senator Sisitsky has also been invited to the luncheon.

Minutes of the August 21, 1975 meeting were accepted as written.

PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED LOCALS

Graphic Arts Union Local 67, Boston - Suspended 6/30/75 - Paid back 8/22/75
Baker's Union Local 45 - Suspended 6/30/75 - Paid back 9/12/75
CWA Local 1301, Dighton - Suspended 6/30/75 - Paid back 9/9/75
Teachers Local 2416, Chicopee - Paid back 9/9/75

Motion duly made and seconded to accept the above. So voted.

WITHDRAWAL

Oil, Chemical & Atomic Workers Int'l Union - lack of funds 37 members
Motion duly made and seconded to accept the above. So voted.

RE-AFFILIATION

Molders No. 467, Chicopee 145 members
Motion duly made and seconded to accept. So voted.

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

American Postal Workers Union (From 1000 to 2000) 1000 members
Motion duly made and seconded to accept. So voted.

EXONERATION

Paperworkers Local 1102 - Motion duly made and seconded to exonerate until strike is over and to send them a contribution.
So voted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Sullivan asked the Vice Presidents to look over the Convention Committees and advise us of any changes to be made.

Pres. Sullivan reported to the Council that we are having trouble with the Farm Workers. They are picketing union stores. Gerry O'Leary, President & Business Manager of Local 2 is quite upset with them as they were picketing the First National. Pres. Sullivan told Silva we would withdraw our endorsement if we didn't get some satisfaction out of them. The Farm Workers had previously advised us that they would not picket any stores in Gerry O'Leary's area without first talking to him.

Gerry O'Leary, the Farm Workers and Pres. Sullivan met. Gerry O'Leary was asked to arrange a meeting with the President of First National to discuss the grape situation. The First National sells nothing but Black Eagle lettuce, however, the grapes are non union. An agreement was reached whereby the Farm Workers would not picket until after they met with the First National representatives. The Farm Workers were also supposed to supply a list of the stores they were going to picket.

Gerry O'Leary called Pres. Sullivan later and complained that the Farm Workers were picketing the Big Buy in Braintree and harassing the people in the Produce Dept. He refused to meet with the Farm Workers and the First National people.

The meeting with the First National people took place and they agreed that in areas where the Farm Workers took action they would take the grapes out of the stores.

President Sullivan advised that Silva has refused to give Gerry O'Leary a list of the stores to be picketed.

The Vice Presidents discussed the Farm Workers situation and then motion was duly made and seconded to accept the President's Report. So voted.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin read the General Fund and COPE financial reports.

Motion duly made and seconded to accept the financial reports. So voted.

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin reported that he was displeased to receive calls from some of our people saying that when they tried to collect unemployment insurance they were told that we agreed to some type of conditions that would either stop or hold them up from collecting. He demanded a meeting with Smith. Bill Cashman also attended the meeting. Smith told him he thought we should do something about doing away with some of the benefits. We said definitely not.

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin asked the Vice Presidents to advise him if they heard of anyone having trouble collecting unemployment.

Smith asked that we support legislation which would deny unemployment compensation for voluntary quits. We told him we would have no part of voluntary quits and that he was lucky to have a job. With regard to unemployment we are neither the best or the worst. We are holding our own on Workmen's Compensation benefits.

The sales tax is coming up again and something should be done about that. People can't afford the sales tax with the high cost of auto insurance and taxes.

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin told the Council about the teacher's strike which might take place Monday morning. He told the Teachers union that it would be better to meet with people and ask that they honor their picket line rather than telephoning or writing them.

V.P. Farnham suggested that a resolution dealing with unemployment be drawn up and that a letter be sent to Howard Smith advising that we are not in agreement with his thinking on unemployment.

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin stated that Smith has already been advised of our thinking and that there is a bill in the House right now on Voluntary Quits. The Lt. Governong asked us to go along with it. We told him we certainly would not. A letter regarding Voluntary Quits bill has been sent to the members of the House and Senate.

V.P. Cleary made a motion which was duly seconded by V.P. Cardinal that the Council submit a Resolution to the Convention regarding the D.E.S. problem and that John A. Callahan be authorized to draw up the Resolution. So voted.

Motion duly made and seconded to accept the Secretary-Treasurer's Report. So voted.

Pres. Sullivan asked V.P. Fernandes to report on the meeting with the Governor's Task Force in New Bedford.

V.P. Fernandes reported that first he got a telephone call and then a letter from Howard Smith advising that he would like to meet with some of the leaders in the community, namely businessmen, politicians and labor. About 25 people attended the meeting.

Howard Smith and his people advised that the general theme of the meeting was to help business in the State of Massachusetts. It is difficult to get new business to come into this State. Smith told the group that they should cooperate and see what could be done to help business in this State. They figure that there are 8-10,000 businesses in Massachusetts. If they could create even 1 job per year in 5 years there would be 50,000 jobs plus related jobs of another 25,000 thereby creating 75,000 jobs in 5 years.

Mr. Smith then commented on the fact there should be some changes in the unemployment and workmen's compensation laws. The Task Force is trying to condition leaders to the proposed changes to make them more acceptable. The labor leaders are worried about the proposed changes. They met with Smith after the meeting and told him they objected to any changes in the Unemployment Compensation law. Smith asked if they weren't against chiselers. He mentioned the fact that General Dynamics trained 400 welders and 400 were collecting unemployment. He was asked if the present law wouldn't cover cases like that. For instance, if there is employment in a given classification and the company calls for that type worker then doesn't the Division have the right to deny unemployment compensation. It would appear that Smith is very determined to make these changes anyway.

President Sullivan asked the Vice Presidents to watch for the Task Force going into their areas and to get some labor leaders to the meeting.

V.P. Prendergast reported that people are having trouble with Workmen's Compensation. He recommended that a Resolution be filed that Workmen's Compensation be handled in the office and somebody be assigned to it full time.

Pres. Sullivan stated that Larry Locke is no longer our attorney on Workmen's Compensation. Bill Cashman was told to tell the members of the Committees, the House Speaker and Senate President that Locke no longer worked for us. The Committees were assuming that Locke spoke on behalf of organized labor. Larry Locke has put in legislation this year with Rep. Ambler that we are fighting and this will be watched closely.

COPE REPORT

Two new Committees should be added to the list of Standing Committees - the Committee on Alcoholism and the Committee on Transportation & Energy.

Motion duly made and seconded that a Resolution be drawn up to include these two in the list of Standing Committees. So voted.

Cope Dir. Callahan received a request from National Cope to file a report on Marginal Congressional Districts (1976). They would also like a report on current Congressmen who expect to have opposition. It is somewhat early but definite that Congressman Drinan of the 4th District and Congressman Macdonald in the 7th District will have opposition.

Notification has been received from National Cope of regulations regarding Cope list with the request that the letter be reproduced and sent to respective Central Labor Unions.

Cope Dir. Callahan mentioned to Secretary Guzzi our filing Voter Registration by mail. He assures us of his support.

He has discussed with National Cope the purchase of printed labels of members in Massachusetts. Their files are neither current or numerally extensive. An additional report will be given when there is more information available.

Affirmative action has been taken regarding Mental Health. This will be discussed at a later date.

Local 589 Carmen's Union is going to sponsor a \$500.00 Scholarship Award.

Motion duly made and seconded to accept Cope report. So voted.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Leg. Dir. Cashman advised that we are being governed by crisis. For instance, at 11:00 A.M. when the calendar was being read one morning the Speaker mentioned to the Legislators present that the Governor was going to put through a bill pledging the credit of the Commonwealth for 500 Million Dollars. The Speaker resented the Legislators being put under the gun with notes coming due in two days. They went into caucus for two hours and voted to pledge the credit which means that men who were going to be laid off or jobs that would stop would continue. The MHFA could float their bonds.

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Leg. Dir. Cashman and Larry Sullivan met with Speaker McGee and discussed, among other things, the average spendable weekly income. The bill is in Ways and Means. There has been no activity. Everyone is playing a waiting game.

The Bill on OFHA for prevention of Industrial Accidents to public employees is in its third reading in the Senate and is well on its way.

The bond issue for 350 million dollars is in the Committee on Transportation. The new Chairman is Nickinello and he is labor oriented. He served notice releasing 350 million bond issue for transportation which is part of Salvucci's program. Park Plaza is in this package and they are going to move this bill as a Transportation bill.

There is going to be a meeting in Commerce & Labor tomorrow to look at the Blue Laws. Many people are shopping in New Hampshire and they would like to rewrite the Blue Laws. This is not a hearing, just a meeting.

Motion duly made and seconded to accept the Legislative Director's Report. So voted.

Sec.-Treas. Loughlin advised the Executive Council that the October meeting would be held at the Statler Hilton Hotel on October 24th at 10:00 A.M.

Al Dyson has been waiting since June for his appointment as Associate Commissioner on the Board of Arbitration & Conciliation. He was told that a critical needs form should be filled out for that position. After some checking around it was found that this was not true as V.P. Dyson would be replacing someone else. V.P. Dyson is still waiting for his appointment.

V.P. Cleary spoke to the Council regarding Situs Picketing. If we can get Senator Brooke to go along with this we will be the only State that is 100% on record for Situs Picketing. He is going to Washington to see the Senator and push him on this.

Motion duly made and seconded that we call upon Senator Brooke to come out in favor of Situs Picketing. So voted.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Gov. Dukakis asking that we select a member of our organization to serve on the Advisory Board to the Office of State Planning - Motion duly made and seconded to submit the name of Walter Ryan of Local 4 Operating Engineers Chairman of our Committee on Transportation & Energy. So voted.

From Andrew J. Biemiller, dir., AFL-CIO Department of Legislation asking for support of S. Res. 239 (8.66 percent raise for federally classified employees and members of the armed forces) Motion duly made and seconded to comply with the request. So voted

Mailgram from Henry Robinson, President, Boston Teachers Union asking that we honor their picket lines in the event they go on strike. Motion duly made and seconded to comply with request. So voted.

Copy of letter from Commissioner Roussos to Governor Dukakis recommending the appointment of Al Dyson as Associate Commissioner on the Board of Conciliation & Arbitration - Motion duly made and seconded to wait another week and then send a strong letter to the Governor with a copy to Commissioner Roussos.

From Senate President Harrington re the high cost of auto insurance - Placed on file

COMMUNICATIONS (Cont'd)

From Gov. Dukakis re auto insurance - Placed on file

From Senator Conte & Representative Finnegan re support of House Bills
1957 & 1541 and opposition to House Bill 5984 - Rent Control - Accepted
and filed

From Congressman Harrington re H.R. 5900 - Equal Rights for Construction
Workers Act - Accepted and filed

From Senator Brooke re deregulation of natural gas - Accepted and filed

Roll Call.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS - COPE - LEGISLATIVE

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From Senator Brooke re deregulation of natural gas
Thank you notes from Henry Khoury, Joe Cass and Frank Murphy
Thank you note from Mass. Dept. of Public Works Engineers Local 780



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GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

September, 1975

Checkbook Balance as of September 1, 1975	\$20,226.59
September Cash receipts	<u>30,865.67</u>
Total	\$51,092.26
September expenses	<u>33,280.35</u>
Checkbook Balance as of September 30, 1975	<u>\$17,811.91</u>

Assets:

Savings Account	\$36,803.51
Certificate of Deposit, Comm. Bank & Trust	1,162.42
" " " Prov. Inst. for Sav.	<u>5,264.43</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$43,230.36</u>

SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER, 1975

Per Capita Tax	\$25,944.79
COPE Share	2,594.48
*Miscellaneous	<u>2,326.40</u>
Total	<u>\$30,865.67</u>

NUMBER OF MEMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER PAYMENT

259,448

*Workmen's Compensation
Registration Fees
Essay Scholarship Award
Transfer of Fund
Senior Citizen Seminar



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COPE RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

September, 1975

Checkbook Balance as of September 1, 1975	\$2,646.68
September Cash receipts	<u>4,346.09</u>
Total	\$6,992.77
September expenses	<u>6,088.84</u>
Checkbook Balance as of September 30, 1975	\$ <u><u>903.93</u></u>

Assets:

Savings account	\$15,456.62
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Sept. Meeting

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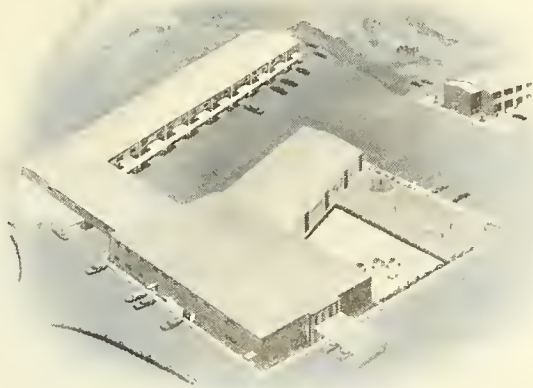
BAR - 12:30

1:00 - STEAKS + CHOWDER

2:00 - MEAL

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WILL TAKE WHAT IS LEFT

34 PEOPLE



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September 8, 1975

Mr. James P. Loughlin
6 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Loughlin,

It was nice meeting with you and Mr. Wall Friday to discuss the schedule of events for your A.F. of L. C.I.O. Clambake to be held here at the Highpoint Motor Inn on Thursday September 18th 1975.

Your meeting will start @ approximately 10a.m.-10:15a.m. for 25-30 people, with a U-Shape set up....and coffee and danish to be served at this time. The cost for the coffee and danish is 75¢ per person.

At 1:00p.m. a bar with a bartender will be set up by the patio with the following liquor on the bar: Bud and Schlitz Beer, Vo and Scotch and mixes to go with these. Also you had mentioned if anyone should want any other type of drink we could provide it with your approval.

At 1:30p.m. Steamers and Clam Chowder will be the first course served, and at approximately 3:00p.m. the rest of the dinner will be served, to consist of: Prime Ribs of Beef, au jus, 1½ lb. of Lobster, Tossed garden salad with dressing, Baked potato with sour cream, Corn on the Cob, rolls and butter, and for dessert: Creme De Menthe Parfait, beverage. The price for this meal will be \$20.00 per person...which includes tax and gratuity.

The only price which I have not listed are that of the bar which I think would be much easier to keep track of the day of the clambake and to give you the total then.

If you should have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. The above will be taking place out on the patio, but in case of rain we would have a function room available for your party. Thank you for your consideration.

Cordially,

Pat Rickson

Pat Rickson,
Banquet Coordinator
HIGHPOINT MOTOR INN

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SEN. ALAN D. SISITSKY
HAMPDEN AND BERKSHIRE
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JUDICIARY
VICE-CHAIRMAN

September 8th, 1975

Mr. Joseph A. Sullivan, President
Mr. James P. Laughlin, Secretary-Treasurer
Massachusetts State Labor Council AFL-CIO
6 Beacon Street - Suite 720
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to
address the Executive Council of the Massachusetts
State Labor Council on September 18th in Chicopee.

I will be pleased to attend and look forward to
seeing you at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Alan D. Sisitsky
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State Senator

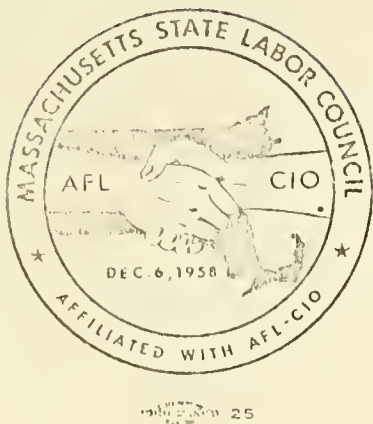
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Mr. & Mrs. Herman Greenberg
134 Chestnut St.
Springfield, Mass. 01103

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Greenberg:

The Executive Council of the Mass. State Labor Council,
AFL-CIO cordially invites you to attend a luncheon on Thursday,
September 18th at 12:30 P.M. at the Highpoint Motor Inn in
Chicopee.

Hoping to see you at that time, we are

Fraternally,

Joseph A. Sullivan
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The Honorable Alan D. Sisitsky
State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Senator:

You are cordially invited to address the Executive Council of the Massachusetts State Labor Council, AFL-CIO at our monthly meeting on September 18, 1975 at 12 noon.

The meeting will be held at the Highpoint Motor Inn, Exit 5, Mass. Pike, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

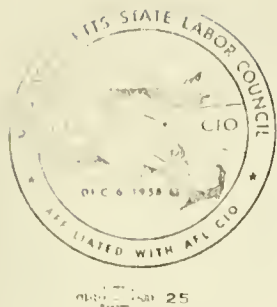
Luncheon will be served immediately following the meeting and we hope that you will be able to join with us.

Sincerely yours,

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August 25, 1975

Alford Dyson, V.P.
Mass. State Labor Council
30 South Crane Ave.
Westport, Mass. 02790

Dear Brother Dyson:

I am very sorry that I marked you
absent at the Executive Council meeting on
July 10, 1975 in Chicopee. When I was calling
the roll call I didn't hear you but I understand
that you were present.

Please forgive me for the mistake.

Sincerely,

James P. Loughlin
Secretary-Treasurer

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